

**SPOTTED DOG
WILDLIFE
MANAGEMENT AREA:
INTERIM PUBLIC-USE
REGULATIONS FOR 2010**

(Valid beginning **10-20-2010**, unless otherwise posted, updated or rescinded)

1. Spotted Dog Wildlife Management Area (WMA) is open to public use from noon on May 15 through November 30. During this period, motorized travel is allowed only on open roads (see accompanying map). Hiking and horseback riding is allowed anywhere on the WMA, and mountain bicycling is allowed on roads and trails.
2. Motorized vehicles are restricted to the designated open road system (no motorized vehicles off roads or on closed roads; see accompanying map). The designated open road system includes **Jake Creek Road, O'Neill Ridge Road, Trout Creek Road, Spotted Dog Creek Road, Rocky Ridge Road, US Forest Service Road #314**, and some associated roads in the WMA that are east of Road #314,
3. Gates--Do not park in such a way as to block gates (whether they are open or closed). Do not park along roads in such a way as to block motorized or nonmotorized travel.
4. Camping is allowed (motorized vehicles restricted to the road shoulder or

pullouts). Camping stay limit is 14 days during any 30-day period.

5. **NO CAMPING on DNRC Lands within Spotted Dog Wildlife Management Area.**
6. No firewood cutting. Open fires are prohibited.
7. **A recreationist may not keep horses on state school trust land overnight.**
8. Permits are required for groups of more than 15 people; contact Region 2 FWP.
9. **Contact Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (406) 542-5500 or DNRC (406) 563-6078 with any questions.**
10. Pack in, pack out garbage and litter.
11. Hunting is in accordance with regulations pertaining statewide and to Deer/Elk Hunting District (HD) 215, Antelope HD 215, and Black Bear Management Unit (BMU) 301.
12. **Trappers still need to secure a "Special State Lands Recreational Use License" from DNRC, usually at no additional charge. Contact FWP in late October for further information on trapping.**
13. Be aware that cattle are still present on this WMA; please use caution and know your target!
14. **Pets must be kept under the control of the recreationist and may not harass livestock.**
15. The WMA will be closed to all public entry from December 1 until noon on May 15, to provide undisturbed access

for elk, deer and antelope to critical winter habitat.

16. Due to the winter closure, the WMA is closed to the winter season for mountain lion hunting, and will open for spring black bear hunting at noon on May 15th.
17. An exception to the winter closure allows snowmobilers to continue using the pre-existing groomed trail system along Forest Service roads (Tree Farmer Road and Irish Mine Road) in the eastern portion of the property, where potential conflicts with wintering wildlife are minimal. Snowmobilers must stay on the groomed route.
18. Outfitting is prohibited within the WMA.
19. Commercial activities are prohibited, except as authorized by permit, as specified by FWP's commercial use policy.

***REPORT VIOLATIONS**--During office hours call R2 FWP at 406-542-5500. Evenings, weekends and holidays, call 1-800-TIP-MONT (1-800-847-6668) or 9-1-1.*

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